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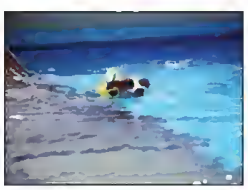

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Gail Somerville, left, Janet Kossup, Judy Nicholls and Addy McNeil in front of a kayak that was raffled off at the annual Hat of Hope tournament, held annually at the Fort Erie Golf Club. The event has raised more than $50,000 since 2003 to purchase hats for women with cancer. This year's tournament raised more than $6,000.

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Councillors heading to court in October

Councillors (clockwise from top left) Bob Steckley, John Hill, Paul Collard and Don Lubberts are being taken to court by former councillor Tim Whitfield, who alleges all four contravened the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act when the Town of Fort Erie's former director of legal services was terminated last year.

Kris Dubé
Editor

A legal battle between a former Fort Erie politician and four members of its current council is ready to continue.

A date has been set for Oct. 18 when pre-trial motions will be heard in court.

In April, Fort Erie councillors Paul Collard, Don Lubberts, Bob Steckley and John Hill were served papers after Tim Whitfield, the councillor for Ridgeway from 2006 to 2010, filed a lawsuit against them.

He alleges a contravention of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act during the process of terminating the municipality's director of legal services Heather Salter after a series of closed session meetings.

The grounds for Whitfield's statement is that on Mar. 26, 2012, Salter filed a workplace harassment complaint and specifically references the four respondents in the case.

The harassment complaint was later dropped for a payment of $50,000 in taxpayer money to Salter, according to Whitfield's statement.

Whitfield feels the conflict lies in the fact that none of the four respondents made any declaration when voting on Salter's severance even though $50,000 of the amount was used to provide them with a "pecuniary benefit."

Salter was given more than $50,000 but that amount is not yet public information.

David Hurren is the lawyer representing Whitfield and he said the case could last until next June.

The date set in October will involve preliminary matters before a trial actually begins.

"There will be paperwork flying for a couple of weeks before and then maybe some examinations," said Hurren.

He feels Whitfield has a strong case but used Toronto Mayor Rob Ford's conflict of interest case being dismissed by the courts as an example.

"Generally speaking, the courts don't like to kick out municipal officers," said Hurren.

"This appears to be a pretty blatant case but you never know where it's going to go," he added.

Eric Gillespie is the lawyer representing Paul Collard and Don Lubberts and he says there are a number of questions and concerns that will be raised on behalf of his clients, who he said feel they haven't done anything wrong.

"All of the councillors are strongly of the view that nothing improper has occurred," said Gillespie, who is also well-known in Greater Fort Erie as the legal counsel for critics of the Crystal Beach condo project when it was brought before the Ontario Municipal Board in 2010.

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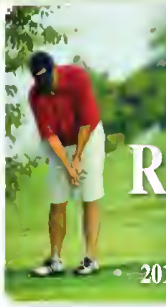

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Court case will provide answers

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Eric Gillespie speaks to a crowd during a break at Fort Erie Town Hall in November 2010 when the Ontario Municipal Board paid a visit for a hearing. Gillespie represented individuals who filed appeals to the OMB over the Town of Fort Erie and the Molinaro Group's Crystal Beach Gateway Project. Gillespie is representing Ward 5 Coun. Don Lubberts and Ward 6 Coun. Paul Collard in an alleged conflict of interest case.

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He said one argument that will be raised during the court proceedings is that this matter being taken to court was instigated far too long after the decision to terminate Salter was made by council last year.

"These types of matters are supposed to be raised within a few weeks after coming to light," said Gillespie.

In Whitfield's statement, it is written that some of the information he is basing his position on is derived from conversations with Fort Erie Mayor Doug Martin about what took place during closed session meetings.

"It seems to be coming from confidential, in-camera discussions," said Gillespie, who feels the source of the information needs to be examined during the court proceedings, along with a better understanding of who will foot the bill once the case has wrapped.

"These are legitimate questions that need to be answered."

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Do You Remember?

It was a wonderful week for the "Do You Remember" column: all of the people in last week's photo have been identified! Our thanks to Roger Green, Sheri Brown, Wendy Valvo, Karen Romanyk, and an anonymous caller for identifying the Fort Erie Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society. In the back row, from left to right: Clarence Clark (President of the Crystal Beach Society), Wendy's father Ross Valvo (Fort Erie Education Chairman), and Roy Delaney (Field Secretary from the Hamilton office). In the front row, from left to right: Dora Thompson (President of the Ridgeway Branch), and Karen's mother Eleanor Jackson (Chairlady of the Services to Patients Committee and Driver Co-ordinator). The photo was taken sometime in the 1980s.

Since readers are so eagle-eyed, we now challenge you with this week's photo of budding gymnasts at St. Joseph's Catholic School. If you can supply their names, please call the Fort Erie Historical Museum 905-894-5322 or e-mail museum@forterie.ca.

Councillors could have come clean last year

Kris Dubé
Editor's Notebook

It's definitely been a few months since I editorialized about all the commotion in the local political arena, so I guess I'm due.

Recently, it was announced that a date has been set for four members of Fort Erie's council and their court date.

It's been alleged by former Ward 4 Coun. Tim Whitfield that his foes Bob Steckley, Paul Collard, Don Lubberts and John Hill contravened the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act last year when they decided in closed session to terminate the municipality's director of legal services Heather Salter.

Some people are saying this is a waste of time and that it should be left alone.

I would agree with that only if the four members of council who are being tried took advantage of an opportunity to come clean last year when Mayor Doug Martin demanded the disclosure of details surrounding Salter's termination.

When I spoke to Eric Gillespie, the lawyer representing Paul Collard and Don Lubberts, he said his clients are taking the position that nothing wrong was done.

So, why didn't they agree to release the details last year?

If there's nothing to hide then I would assume publicly explaining the reasoning behind her termination would be a the first step.

It would silence the critics and allow them to carry on with the regular, day-to-day business of governing the municipality.

It would have saved them an awful lot of money too and we wouldn't be sitting here talking about a court date in October.

There are many answers that could result from this legal feud but it could have all been avoided if members of council showed the people of Fort Erie last year that their decision was the right one.

Now, look where we are with this.

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opinion page

OLG and racetracks a perfect marriage until divorce

Dear Editor,

The towns of Hanover, Clinton, Dresden, Sudbury, Peterborough, Ajax, Fort Erie, and Ottawa, next year will join the towns of Woodstock, Windsor, and Sarnia that have already lost their racetracks as a result of the province cancelling the Slots at Racetracks program this spring.

The OLG Modernization Plan began simply enough by looking at how to grow the business and pare down the 18,000 employees at the OLG. The powers in charge at the time – the Dalton gang (of which our current Premier and Agriculture Minister was at least a close associate member) but apparently not involved with plotting a new course of action for the OLG that has led to the destruction of the racing industry and the 30,000 to 60,000 estimated jobs attached to that industry.

The Dalton gang, especially the deputy sheriff Dwight Duncan were dazzled by the large foreign gaming companies that came to town and promised riches for all... and would gladly get rid of the expensive 18,000 OLG employees and build new casinos throughout the province to ensure that there would be a casino as close as your Tim Horton's are today...cornering the market on gaming.

All the province had to do was divorce their current business partners – the racetracks – and give up control of gaming by signing 30-year contracts with them.

The province proceeded down this path, divorcing the racetracks by terminating the Slots at Racetracks program, without doing a proper cost-benefit analysis as to the economic fallout that may occur in the racing industry and cities like Sault Ste. Marie which have over 1,300 OLG employees.

This is not just about losing 30,000 to 60,000 jobs in the racing industry. It is about privatizing the lottery and gaming business, which involves close to a total of 78,000 jobs and giving up control of how gaming is operated. So, you would think that with this kind of economic activity on the line that some public consultation would take place. Unfortunately, it did not.

The province also underestimated the pushback by many communities, most recently the city of Toronto, which said "no" to locating a casino in the downtown core.

Premier Wynne realized right from the start of her reign that she was in trouble with the rural folks and appointed herself the Agriculture Minister, put on the rubber boots, and even ventured out to try and soothe the country folks who are upset with losing their local racetracks and having no say in the location of wind turbines next to properties that they have farmed for generations.

She even fired the architect of the Modernization Plan Paul Godfrey – a sign the rural folks thought could give hope that the local racetracks might be saved. A panel was struck, known as the OMAFRA Panel, consisting of 3 former cabinet ministers of various party stripes, tasked with trying to minimize the damage from the termination of the Slots at racetracks program ... and to try to quell the rural uprising. The task was to look at the racing industry and assess what was necessary to grow and sustain the industry. Unfortunately, their mandate did not include looking at a return to revenue sharing for tracks.

The Panel did negotiate some interim transition agreements with a number of tracks seeing the race dates drop from 50% to 75% of the dates raced in the previous years at most tracks.

The panel recently released a report that proposed growing the racing industry in a sustainable manner and integrating racing into the OLG modernization plan. The only catch: this new business model would mean going from 17 racetracks to only 5 tracks located in the central region in Ontario.

Country folks might not be that sophisticated but they can do simple math: 17-5 = 12 racetracks that will close. It is difficult for country folk to understand how you can say this is "growing" an industry and making it self-sustaining.

The country folk in Hanover, Clinton, Dresden, Sudbury, Peterborough, Ajax, Fort Erie, Ottawa, Woodstock, Windsor and Sarnia understand that their tracks will no longer exist if the government implements the OMAFRA panel recommendations.

The OLG seems to be going ahead with its plan to privatize the casino business, calling for proposals for the central Ontario region – an ominous sign that seems to indicate that racing industry has been thrown under the bus and that the thousands of rural jobs will disappear once the modernization of the OLG is complete if they follow what seems to be the current path.

This is bad politics and bad economic policy. The Auditor General has been called in to look at the wisdom of terminating the Slots at Racetracks program, but it will likely be too late to undo the damage caused in these rural areas by the time he reports on this matter. The horses and jobs will be gone.

I believe that Premier/Agriculture Minister Wynne understands the issues, as she did give Mr. Godfrey the boot, sending him back to his newspaper business, but now Premier Wynne needs to take the next step toward mending fences with the rural folks and their city cousins who do not seem to want casinos on every street corner in their cities. All she has to do is renew the revenue sharing agreements with racetracks, include the proper checks and balances that were missing in the Slots at Racetracks Program, and expand gaming at racetracks to generate more revenue at venues in which the public is already comfortable with having gaming activity and that have had a 14-year track record of successful, responsible gambling.

It is that simple ... something even country folk can understand.

We in Ontario can ill afford to lose any more jobs in this province with so many of our youth unemployed.

Jeff Rouse
Sudbury

Council needs to address emerald ash borer

Dear Editor,

Fort Erie's council needs to wake up to the reality of the emerald ash borer.

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Andrew Cook
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New Brunswick reptiles coming to Stevensville

Alison Langley
QMI Agency Niagara

Several reptiles seized from a New Brunswick shop, where police say two young boys were strangled by a python, will soon call Safari Niagara home.

Three dwarf caiman crocodiles are expected to arrive at the Stevensville zoo soon.

The animals will undergo a 30-day quarantine and then be placed in Safari Niagara's newly reptile house.

The 27 illegal animals seized from Reptile Ocean in Campellton, N.B. after the tragic deaths of Noah and Connor Barthe earlier this month have all been moved to Ontario.

Bry Loyst, curator of the Indian River Reptile Zoo, a non-profit zoo in Peterborough, Ont., assisted the RCMP and the N.B. Department of Natural Resources in removing and relocating the displaced animals.

The animals include snakes, turtles and crocodiles. None of the snakes seized are dangerous, Loyst said.

An African rock python that escaped and killed Noah, 4, and Connor, 6, was euthanized a day after the boys were found dead in the apartment above the shop.

A preliminary autopsy found the boys died of asphyxiation.

"Safari Niagara extends their condolences to the Barthe family and the community of Campellton, N.B. during this difficult time," said Tim Tykolis, Safari Niagara's general manager.

This is second time Safari Niagara has come to the aid of displaced animals.

In July, the zoo welcomed five monkeys, four parrots and wo gibbons from the Calgary Zoo following June's devastating floods in Alberta.

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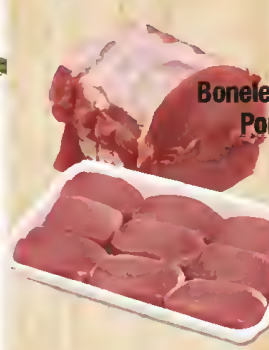

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GREATER FORT ERIE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Submitted Laura Ahumada, Arianne Ferreira, Leah Woolley, Ally McCartney, Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce President Dean Demizio, Shana O'Grady, Alex Craddock, Michelle Marcil, Lexie Hancock at a recent student bursary presentation. Absent from the photo is Justine Wilson. Read more on page 24.

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KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Debbie Kassay and her dog Tank, along with veterinarian Tanya Lowrey and her dog Shelby at the Furry Farm in Stevensville.

Furry Farm a great place for dogs to get exercise

Kris Dubé
Editor

Dogs have feelings too.

Last week, the Furry Farm in Stevensville held an open house to showcase all it has to offer, such as therapeutic swimming sessions and the expertise of a St. Catharines-based veterinarian who spoke about arthritis in canines and the different measures that can be taken to remedy pain your furry friend might be experiencing.

Tanya Lowrey from Huntington Animal Hospital provided her expertise to pet owners who are already clients at the Furry Farm and even some new pet owners who were interested in learning more.

Lowrey said as a dog gets older, changes in its cartilage is what can cause some ailments but good old fashioned exercise can make a world of difference for an aging pooch.

"Certain exercises like swimming can help arthritic animals," she said, adding that proper nutrition and even acupuncture can also improve how a dog feels.

She said acupuncture is a relatively new procedure applied to four-legged friends and if anyone in Niagara is interested in learning more she would be glad to answer any questions.

"Fairly recently it has become adapted and more popular for animals," she said.

The furry farm is owned by Stevensville resident Debbie Kassay and it all started from seeing her golden lab Tank suffer from pain about two years ago.

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TENDER FOR ROAD RESURFACING – HOT MIX OVERLAY 2013
CONTRACT NO. ISE-13T-RSRF(H)13

Sealed tenders clearly marked as to content will be received by **Carolyn J. Kett, Town Clerk, Municipal Centre, Fort Erie, Ontario** until 2:00 p.m. LOCAL TIME on:

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9th, 2013

Commencing immediately afterwards on the above date, tenders will be opened publicly at the Fort Erie Town Hall Meeting Room No. 3.

The work consists of milling and paving a section at the Niagara Boulevard from Queen Street to Bertie Street. Construction of a small additional parking area at Catherine Street and Aberdeen Street and pulverizing and paving a section at Point Abino Road.

All Town of Fort Erie formal competitive bid opportunities, issued by the Purchasing Services Division, are posted on Biddingo.com and organized by commodity.

If a hard copy is required, tender documents may be picked up at the Town Hall, Engineering Division, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, ON L2A 2S6, commencing Monday, August 26th, 2012 on payment of twenty-eight dollars and twenty-five cents ($28.25) non-refundable cash or cheque payable to the Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie.

As of Monday, August 26th, 2013, Tender Documents may be viewed at the Town of Fort Erie Infrastructure Services Department, Engineering Division and at the Niagara Construction Association, 34 Scott Street, St. Catharines, Ontario.

The Corporation reserves the right to reject any and all tenders and the lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

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TELEVISION SANITARY SEWER INSPECTION
CONTRACT NO. ISE-13T-SANCTV

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th, 2013

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The work consists of the closed circuit video inspection and cleaning of approximately 13,000m of sanitary sewer including reports, in the general size range of 150mm – 600mm diameter in the Lakeshore Sanitary Sewer Area of the Town of Fort Erie.

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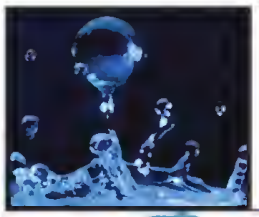
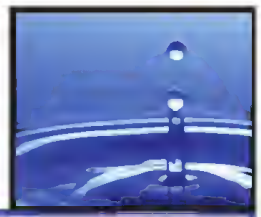
Attention Residents:

The Town's Municipal Law Enforcement Department would like to remind residents of Lot Maintenance By-Law 165-08, particularly section 4(1): *Other than on properties zoned for agricultural operations, turf must be kept trimmed to a maximum length of 20 centimetres (6 inches), including the grassy boulevard portion of any highway or part thereof, in front of alongside or at the rear of any building or property.*
Residents are reminded to cut and maintain their lawns to a maximum height of six (6) inches throughout the spring and summer seasons. Municipal Law Enforcement Officers will be enforcing this By-Law during this time. Failure to comply with this By-Law may result in the Town having the grass cut at the owner(s) expense.
Enquiries may be made to Municipal Law Enforcement Officers: Geoff Stephenson (Extension 2216) and Matt Richardson (Extension 2215).





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Open House On Species at Risk and Water Quality

The Town of Fort Erie Infrastructure Services Department, Engineering Division, will be hosting an Open House regarding species at risk and water quality on:

Date: **Saturday , August 24, 2013**

Time: **9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Location: **Council Chambers, Town Hall, 1 Municipal Centre Drive**

Representatives from the Town of Fort Erie , Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) and your local area nature clubs will be in attendance.

Presentations, literature handouts, live interactive displays and discussions are intended to increase public awareness of Fort Erie's species at risk and water quality.

The information provided during this session is for general information on Species at Risk within the Town of Fort Erie to satisfy various grant requirements. Specific issues, projects or permits will not be addressed during this venue.

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- Water Quality in Fort Erie
- The importance of wetlands

The Town of Fort Erie would like to thank our many partners for their contributions. These include: Environment Canada, Royal Bank Blue Water Project, Water Smart Niagara, The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, Niagara College and Brock University
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Municipal Act, 2001

SALE OF LANDS BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE

TAKE NOTICE that tenders are invited for the purchase of the land(s) described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on September 17, 2013 at the Municipal Centre, Clerk's Department, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, L2A 2S6.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at The Municipal Centre, Conference Room 1 at 3:05 p.m.

Description of Land(s)	Min. Tender Amount
BETHUNE AVE NS, CON 1 LE PT LOT 17 IRREG 4.01AC, PIN 84201-0251(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 33800	$ 3,819.17
BIDWELL PKWY WS, PLAN 140 LOT 496 LOT 497 NP480 REG 0.12AC 80.00FR 117.00D, PIN 64467-0142(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 98256	$ 3,162.19
GLORIA RD 469, PLAN 157 LOT 22 NP497 REG 0.26AC 100.00FR 114.00D, PIN 64202-0064(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 010 99203	$14,181.84
ZELLA PL ES, PLAN 108 LOT 217 NP448 REG 0.11AC 42.00FR 115.00D, PIN 64236-0180(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 020 34800	$2,870.36
ABBOTT ST SS, PLAN 98 LOT 54 BLK B NP438 REG 0.11AC 40.00FR 120.00D, PIN 64235-0104(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 026 17100	$2,334.99
LAMBTON ST NS, PLAN 148 LOT18 NP488 REG 0.81AC 95.00FR 372.00D, PIN 64238-0051(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 028 06700	$5,125.26
HOLLOWAY BAY RD N, CON 16 NR PT LOT 14 59R7611 PART 1 REG, 2.05AC, PIN 64246-0167(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 031 17212	$2,694.65
HOLLOWAY BAY RD N, CON 16 NR PT LOT 14 59R7611 PART 2 REG, 2.06AC, PIN 64246-0168(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 031 17214	$2,713.35
HOLLOWAY BAY RD N, CON 16 NR PT LOT 14 59R7811 PART 3 REG, 2.06AC, PIN 64248-0189(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 031 17216	$2,713.35
HOLLOWAY BAY RD N, CON 18 NR PT LOT 14 59R7611 PART 4 REG, 2.07AC, PIN 64246-0170(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 031 17218	$2,713.35
HOLLOWAY BAY RD N, CON 16 NR PT LOT 14 59R7611 PART 5 REG, 2.07AC, PIN 64246-0171(LT) ROLL NUMBER 2703 020 031 17220	$2,713.35

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or certified cheque by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchaser.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and the relevant land transfer tax and HST if applicable.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, contact:

GILLIAN CORNEY
Manager of Revenue & Collections
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QUOTATION ISO-13Q-FHYDRT

The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie is inviting submissions from interested bidders to provide any and all labour, materials and equipment necessary to provide:

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AUGUST 29TH, 2013

Specific project details and requirements are provided within the bid document.

Interested bidders are asked to contact Natasha Pisano, Purchasing and Finance Clerk at (905) 871-1600 ext. 2321 or alternatively at npisano@forterie.on.ca to make suitable arrangements to pick up the quotation document.

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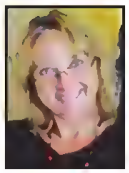

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Fort Erie DJ and his group win four awards

Even though Dan General explained in an acceptance speech that he sat in gum when he took his seat at the Aboriginal People's Choice Music Awards on Sunday night, it will be a moment in his musical career he will remember for a long time for all the right reasons.

The former Fort Erie resident who currently lives in Ottawa, also known as DJ Shub, is one third of the popular and critically-acclaimed electronic music group A Tribe Called Red.

This past weekend, General and his bandmates Deejay NDN and Bear Witness took home four awards from the annual ceremony that celebrates aboriginal musicians.

They won Best Producer-Engineer, Best Album Cover, Best Pop Album and Best Duo or Group.

The multiple-award accolade received comes only a few weeks before the group will find out if they have won the prestigious Polaris Prize, an award that pays tribute to integrity in Canadian music with a cheque for $30,000 going to the winner.

They are one of 10 acts that have made the shortlist for the prize for their second album 'Nation II Nation."

Submitted

Dan General, also known as DJ Shub, middle, with his fellow group members in A Tribe Called Red Bear Witness and Deejay NDN.

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Management for superficial fungal infections involves some simple non-drug methods, and over-the-counter remedies in the form of sprays lotions and creams. Affected individuals should try to reduce moisture in the affected area. Loose-fitted clothing made of cotton or material that absorbs moisture should be worn. The skin should be dried completely before covering with clothing. If the infection involves the feet, flip flops should be worn with bare feet to prevent spread to others and reinfection.

There are also many topical antifungal agents available. Examples include CANESTEN CREAM (clotrimazole), NIZORAL SHAMPOO (ketoconazole), and MONISTAT-DERM (miconazole), to name a few. Creams and solutions are useful because they can be rubbed into the area. Solutions work in hairy areas because they are easier to apply. Powders can serve as useful additions to creams and solutions. They are helpful when the infection is wet or oozing, or where a drying agent is needed. When applying the antifungal product it should be applied to the lesion as well as one to two inches around the lesion. The antifungal should also be used for one to two weeks after lesions clear to reduce the rate of recurrence.
Patients who have diabetes, or those who are immunosuppressed may need prescription oral therapy. It is best for your doctor to assess theses fungal infections. Fungal infections of the nail are also resistant to over-the-counter treatment.

There are some home remedies for treating nail fungus. Patients have tried applying VICS VAPORUB and tea tree oil. There is not a lot of evidence to suggest the efficacy of these products for this condition, however some people may wish to try them before resorting to an oral medication.
If you think you may be affected by a fungal infection there are a number of treatment options available. Most issues can be resolved with some persistence and the proper product. Please speak to your pharmacist about what option is best for you.

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KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Honey the Jack Russell Terrier going for a swim at the Furry Farm in Stevensville last week.

Swimming can restore an aging dog's health

From Page 11

She sought advice from a vet and was told putting her down might be the only way to go.

"That was not an option at the time," said Kassay.

She found a facility in Buffalo that allowed people to bring their dogs for aquatic exercise sessions and immediately came up with the idea to use the several acres of property she owns in rural Stevensville for a similar purpose.

"It was such a dramatic improvement," she said about Tank's health after a handful of sessions.

She said more people are becoming aware of the various methods to preserve a dog's health and through her facility, hopes to continue spreading awareness.

"People don't know about all the types of things that can improve your dog's mobility," she said.

To contact Lowrey about an acupuncture session, she can be reached at (905) 684-4007.

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KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Arborist Andrew Cook injects a 90-year-old ash tree in Stevensville with TreeAzin, a natural insecticide that combats emerald ash borer.

Kris Dubé
Editor

Andrew Cook from Andrew's Tree and Shrub Care recently injected a historic ash tree to combat an invasive beetle.

The tree was planted over 90 years ago by Erle Foebel on West Main St. in Stevensville.

The Town of Fort Erie granted Cook permission to treat the tree, as it sits on municipal property.

The natural insecticide injected is called TreeAzin and is derived from a tree in Asia.

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"Ash trees make up most of the canopy in Fort Erie and they're being threatened," said Cook.

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Chamber of Commerce hands out student bursaries

The Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce, in keeping with its mission to promote education, was pleased to present local students with $500 bursary cheques on Aug. 11 at Bridgewater Country Club.

The Chamber's Bursary committee reviewed more than 27 applications and with generous financial contributions from Dean Demizio State Farm Insurance, Canadian Tire Fort Erie, Nigh's Sweet Shop, Answers Computer Services, and Meridian Credit Union, the Chamber was able to offer an additional five bursaries this year.

Recipients of this year's awards are Arianne Ferreira (Centennial), Shana O'Grady (Lakeshore), Alexandria Hancock (RCBHS), Justine Wilson (FESS), Laura Ahumada (Lakeshore), Alexandria Craddock (RCBHS), Michelle Marcil (RCBH), Allison McCartney (Lakeshore), and Leah Woolley (RCBHS).

The cheque presentation was held at a special brunch ceremony with family and friends held in honour of the deserving students, was made possible from Table Sponsorships from TD Canada Trust, Meridian Credit Union, RBC Royal Bank, Fort Erie Community Credit Union, University of Windsor, Carleton University, Brock University, District School Board of Niagara, Danny DiLorenzo of Lakeshore Catholic High School, and the Business Education Council.

Bursary applications for 2014 will be available online at the Chamber website early in the new year.

Corrections from recent issue

The Fort Erie Times would like to correct some misinformation from a story in our Aug. 8 issue.

In a story about upcoming events hosted by the Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce, incorrect dates and times were published.

The correct time for the chamber's trade show on Sept. 19 is 3 to 8 p.m.

The annual gala auction will be held Nov. 15 and not Nov. 14. which is what was printed.

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Fort Erie dragon–boater brings home hardware

Melissa Mangelsen
Fort Erie Times

Canada has a solid reputation for hockey, lacrosse, vast open lands and even dragon boating.

The sport has been around in Canada for about 25 years, and is a growing activity that is producing a lot of top-notch paddlers.

John Gagnon is one of those distinguished paddlers, who calls Fort Erie home.

With the Welland International Flatwater Centre just down the road from Fort Erie, Gagnon paddles with the Welland Warlocks, and just recently returned from the 11th World Dragon Boat Racing Championships that were held in Szeged, Hungary.

At 69-years-old, Gagnon tried out for the Canada National team, and was accepted.

Along with a boat of 22 other men, over the age of 60, they paddled their way to success at the world championships.

Of the 400 Canadian paddlers to participate, they brought home 50 medals, 30 of them being gold.

As Canada continued to clean up at the world championships, other countries grew tired of hearing the Canadian national anthem being played at the podium.

Gagnon said much of the success of his team was the fact that they worked together and had a strong coach in Doug Jones.

"It's a team effort, if one person makes a mistake you'll lose the race," said Gagnon.

Dragon boaters in seven age categories, from 15 and 16 year junior crews to people in their 70s, raced 200, 1,000 and 2,000 metre distances at the event that attracted more than 3,500 athletes.

Jones coached Canada's three entries in the over-60 class, which included Gagnon.

"Wherever I've gone to watch dragon boating Doug Jones' name comes up. He's very well-known and respected," said Ruby Smith, spectator.

"He's produced a lot of winning teams, he has a very unique style and technique for paddling. We pull as much water as we can, and average about 66 to 70 strokes a minute," said Gagnon.

For Gagnon, this was his first time competing in the world championships, as he's fairly new to the sport of dragon boating. He began in 2010 after a visit with his audiologist who was involved in the sport.

"My audiologist said I looked fit and that I should try it, so I did. The first time was in a pool and it was really hard. I thought it was too much for me, but as you get into a boat on the water it gets into your blood," said Gagnon.

Three years later, he has close to 30 medals, and has competed in the national championships, which were held in Montreal.

Dragon boating is a flatwater sport that focuses on team building exercise. It puts 20 paddlers, a drummer and a steer person into a large canoe and it is the most popular of the three paddling activities offered by the South Niagara Canoe Club.

The sport is accessible, and people who have never thought of themselves as athletes can come out and partake in the sport.

"It really keeps you fit – anyone can do it. If you're not fit when you first start you will be," said Gagnon.

They practice three times a week, 10-months of the year. Training can also be done in pools to keep athletes sharp.

Despite the fact that the 2,000 metre race only takes about eight to nine minutes to complete, it takes a lot of energy and skill to successfully glide the boat to victory.

It's a whole body sport when paddlers are using the proper techniques. It's a sport that you get out what you put into it.

For Gagnon and Smith being in Hungary for 10 days isn't something they will forget.

Szeged is known as the City of Sunshine, and boasts a recently renovated regatta course that is 2,250 metres long, 12-kilometres wide and 3.5 to 4 metres deep. The Maty stream Water Centre was opened in June 1981 and over the past 30 years has become one of the most popular kayak-canoe courses in the world. Because of favourable wind conditions, it is considered one of the fairest courses in the world.

Next for Gagnon, he will be competing in the Great White North (GWN) race in Toronto, which will host over 200 teams.

The GWN competition will be held at Marilyn Bell Park's western beaches watercourse, which is a world class venue.

The event, which is expected to draw over 5,000 participants and 20,000 spectators, will take place Sept. 7 and 8.

The 2015 World Dragon Boat Championships will be held in Welland, which will have the opportunity to show off their top notch facility to the world.

Gagnon plans to try out for the Canada National team for 2015.

With dragon boating growing in popularity Jones is always looking to get new people involved. For more information on the South Niagara Canoe Club visit www.southniagaracanoeclub.ca

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Obama's Buffalo visit could cause delays

President enjoyed chicken wings in Cheektowaga on his last visit to Buffalo

Tony Ricciuto
QMI Agency Niagara

Canadians heading into the United States could be facing longer than usual delays and heightened security at Niagara's international bridges this week because President Barack Obama is expected to visit Buffalo.

"(It) is still part of our busy travel season and the best advice that I can give people is to check our traffic number for bridge delays at 1-800-715-6722 for traffic conditions at all of our bridges," said Brent Gallagher, manager of agency relations and security for the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission.

The commission looks after the Queenston-Lewiston, the Rainbow and the Whirlpool bridges.

Gallagher said he hasn't heard anything from U. S. Customs, and while he can't predict what traffic conditions will be like when the president visits the area, travellers "need to be prepared" because it could take a bit longer when crossing the border this time of the year.

"We haven't received any indication from a government agency about any extra ordinary security measures, but check our traffic line, have your documents ready and be prepared to answer all questions and you will get through quicker," said Gallagher.

While details of the president's visit still remain a secret for now, news sources on the American side of the border say the president plans to visit the Buffalo, Syracuse, Binghamton and Scranton, Pa., areas.

According to White House spokesman Keith Maley, the president will be on a two-day bus tour travelling through New York and Pennsylvania next Thursday and Friday to talk about "another cornerstone of his vision for a better bargain for the middle class."

Richard Misztal, spokesman for U. S. Customs and Border Protection, said he doesn't expect to see a difference in traffic patterns, but travellers need to be prepared in case there are delays and the best way to stay informed is to check border wait times and to have all documents ready when pulling up to the bridge.

"We don't expect anything, but you never know. It's still summer so it's best to check before you go," said Misztal.

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Chris Gangarossa from Fort Erie, with Canisius High School football coach Rich Robbins.

Game on for Gangarossa

Kris Dubé
Fort Erie Times

It's anything but game over for Chris Gangarossa.

The 16-year-old offensive lineman from Fort Erie's football career has been given another lease on life and will start with the Canisius High School varsity team in September.

The 6'5" 285-pound gentle giant was previously enroled in the Niagara Football Academy, a private high school for athletes. But in Dec. 2012, that avenue into a U.S. college scholarship came to a dead end when the facility closed its doors.

It didn't take long after that for Gangarossa to find another opportunity after being scouted by the head coach of Canisius' football program and even a coach from St. Francis, another high school in the Buffalo area.

After taking some time with his parents to consider where he would be attending, Canisius ended up being the school of choice.

"Honestly, I can't wait to get out there," said Gangarossa.

Recently Gangarossa attended a training camp hosted by retired NFL offensive line coach Jim McNally and was even pulled aside by him.

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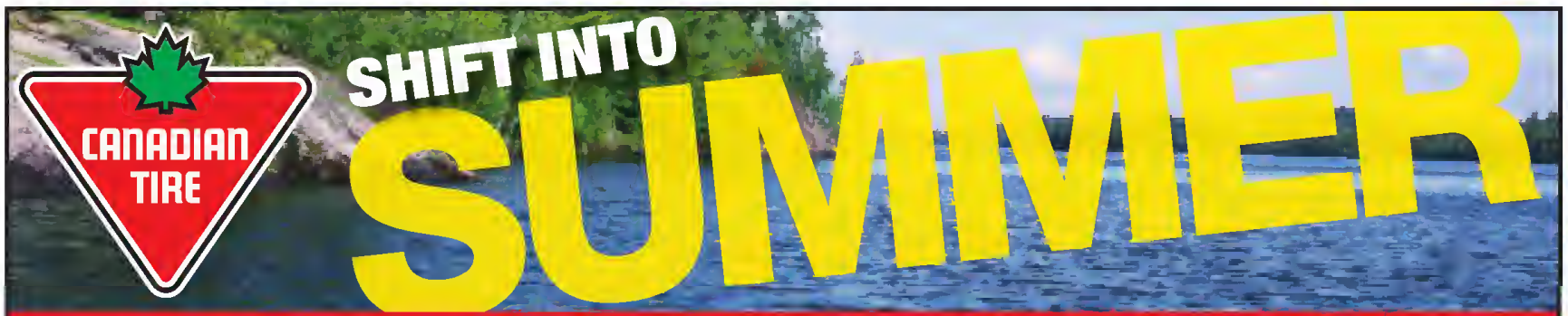

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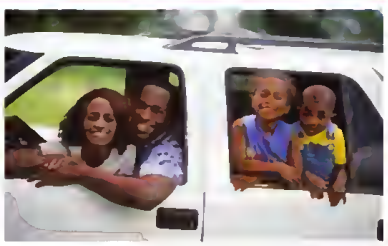

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Coach says team is fortunate to have Fort Erie lineman

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"He wanted to know my name, age and where I will be attending school in the fall," said Gangarossa.

Rich Robbins is the head coach of Canisius' team and is excited to have Gangarossa on his squad.

"He had a tough decision to make and we are fortunate enough for him to choose Canisius," said Robbins in a phone interview.

Robbins met Chris at a recent camp in Hamilton and was impressed by his size and his ability on his feet at the same time.

He looks forward to helping him grow and continue making a name for himself.

"We think Chris can be the next scholarship athlete to come out of Canisius," said Robbins.

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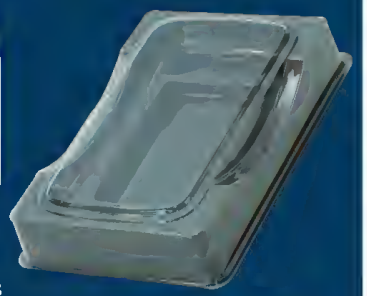

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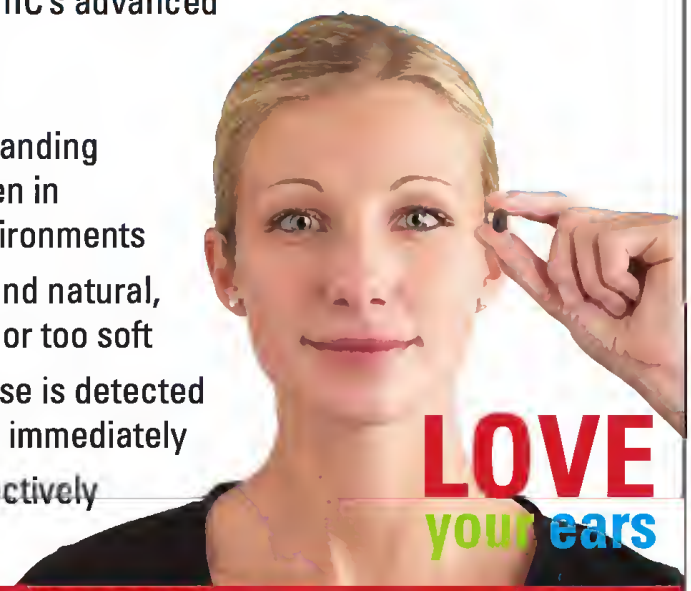

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Meteors' coaching staff looks ahead to upcoming season

Kris Dubé
Fort Erie Times

There's a new coaching staff in town that's looking forward to working with a hard-working, skilled nucleus of hockey players.

Chris Johnstone took over last year with about a month left in the regular season but he'd had his eye on the Fort Erie Meteors long before he was recruited as the Jr B team's bench boss.

He has coached in the golden horseshoe league, the OHL and other competitive circuits for over 20 years but has always been aware of the chemistry the players in Fort Erie have with one another.

"Fort Erie has always had a close team with a good bunch of guys. It's a positive environment that's always been here," said Johnstone.

One player Johnstone expects production from this season is his captain Nik Passero, who is lacing up for his final year in Jr. B hockey.

"I've watched him for years in this league and have always liked the things he's done, the way he's played. We're looking for him to be an effective leader this year," said Johnstone.

Terry Neal has been an assistant coach with Johnstone for seven years with various teams such as the Wheatfield Jr. Blades and the Thorold Blackhawks.

He is excited to see how their next venture together unfolds.

"I really love this organization," said Neal.

"I look forward to the opportunity to coach these kids and take them to the next level," he added.

Greg Johnstone is also an assistant coach with the Meteors, who has been coaching with his brother Chris at different levels for decades.

He has also become familiar with some of the Meteors' returning players and hopes to help them build in certain areas of the game.

"I watched all their playoff games last year and they definitely have a good nucleus."

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Meteors' captains have unfinished business from last season

Kris Dubé
Editor

The Fort Erie Meteors' captains are a tight-knit group both off and on the ice and they are hoping to use this as an advantage during the 2013-14 season.

Nik Passero will wear the 'C' for his last year in Jr. B hockey and will be joined on the ice by his alternate captains Anthony Passero, Rich DeMarco and Kyle Marino.

His younger brother Anthony will miss the beginning of the season while he still recovers from a concussion suffered last season. During the games he will not get dressed for, centre Carson Johnstone will fill in for him.

Nik said the team has plenty of unfinished business to take care of this season, building on the results of last year with 17 wins, 31 losses and three games they lost in overtime.

They met the Port Colborne Pirates in the first round of playoffs and were eliminated in five games.

The captain said the team worked extremely hard in the post-season and hopes this time around the physical pain from giving it their all in the series against Port Colborne is something they will experience again and compete much deeper into the playoffs.

"It was two weeks of pain and I want that to turn into two months. I want to be playing in May," said Passero.

Anthony Passero is already in his third season and seeing his older brother Nik arrive at his final season already, he says the team wants to help him retire from Jr. B in a winning fashion.

"He's going to be a big part of what we play for this year," said Anthony.

He also said how close of a group the team is and how much respect they have for one another is something that goes a long way in his opinion.

"That's what makes us mature a lot quicker," said Anthony.

Kyle Marino hit the ice as a rookie in the 2012-13 season. Not only his skill, but certainly his work ethic is why the coaching staff and management decided to stitch an 'A' on his jersey for this season.

"It goes to show that for some of the young guys, hard work pays off," said Marino, a defenceman.

"If you give it your all, you get rewarded."

Rich DeMarco said the first few games of the regular season are extremely important, as the results will set the tone for how the rest of the year will unfold.

"I'm really excited to see how we start this year," said DeMarco.

The first home game is on Sept. 7 against the Niagara Falls Canucks with a puck drop at 7:15 p.m.

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Fort Erie Meteors assistant captain Kyle Marino, left, captain Nik Passero, assistant captain Rich DeMarco and assistant captain Anthony Passero. The Meteors open the regular season against the Niagara Falls Canucks on Sept. 7.

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The same game

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Mitchell and Jack Webb, identical twins from Ridgeway were selected by the Peterborough Petes in the 2013 OHL Draft in April. They both spent the last two seasons playing for the Toronto Marlboros in the Greater Toronto Hockey League. Mitchell is also waiting to find out if he has made the roster for Team Ontario in the World Hockey Challenge, to be held in Cape Breton, N.S., next year. Read the whole story on page 35.

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Ridgeway twins ready for next step in hockey careers

Kris Dubé
Editor

Mitchell and Jack Webb certainly have their similarities, considering they are identical twins.

In a few weeks they will have something else in common as they both lace up at camp for the OHL's Peterborough Petes.

The two 16-year-old brothers from Ridgeway were drafted in the second and fifth rounds back in April and are getting ready for the next venture in their on-ice careers.

Reflecting on the day a few months ago when they heard their names called, both said it is still fresh in their minds.

"It was an unbelievable experience and an awesome day for sure," said Jack.

They have played together in Fort Erie minor hockey, with Niagara Falls' AAA team and for the last two years with the Toronto Marlboros in the Greater Toronto Hockey League.

"We know our strengths and weaknesses and we play really well together," said Mitchell, who is also waiting to hear in November if he has made Team Ontario in the U-17 division for the World Hockey Challenge.

They will stay with a billet family in the Peterborough area when camp begins.

"We love being at home but this is going to be a great, new experience," said Mitchell.

Jared Marino, a player from Niagara Falls the Webbs have grown up playing hockey with, will also attend camp. They are also thrilled to be sharing the experience with someone so close to them.

"We've been best friends since we started playing hockey," said Jack.

In the most recent season in Toronto, Mitchell scored 40 goals and helped with 32 assists in 84 games played.

Jack's season was shortened due to a thumb injury but he still scored five goals and had 15 assists in 39 games played.

Off the ice, the brothers also had an experience to remember for the rest of their lives. They recently had dinner with Prime Minister Stephen Harper at a private residence in Ottawa, arranged by representatives from the player agency that represents them.

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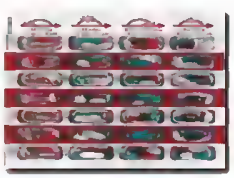

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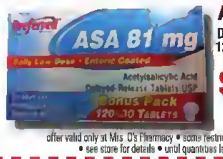

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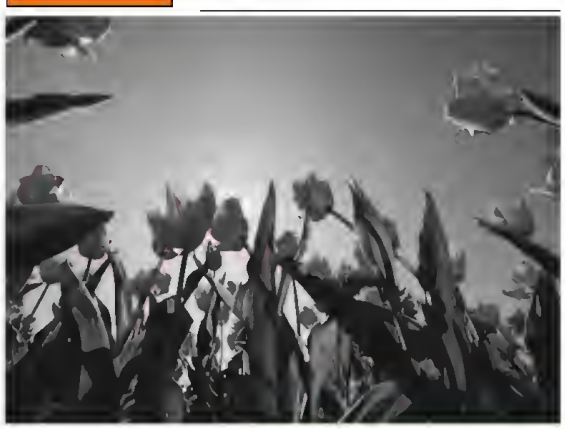
HYDE, Margaret - The family of the late Margaret Hyde would like to thank family, friends and co-workers for all their love, support, hugs and prayers during her illness and passing. Thank you for the acts of kindness, memorial donations, flower tributes, food, expressions of sympathy and support during this difficult time. With special thanks to Maria, Brenda, Marv and Darren of the Benner Funeral Home for their guidance and support. We are forever grateful to all the wonderful, caring staff and friends at Crescent Park Lodge, with special thanks to Lisa, Gail, Alchie, Barb, Dr. Spencer, Christine, Sherry and Gail as Mom loved all of you and was so very appreciative everyday for all your compassion and hard work. Thank you to the nurses and support workers of Douglas Memorial Hospital, especially to Jerry for his love and kindness. And thanks to Father Geoff Findlay for his blessing and for accommodating our needs during this time and to Matt Woehl of the Town of Fort Erie for all his help.
Sincerely,
The Tappan, Jones and Hyde Families



Obituaries

BEARSS, Gerald Willson - It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Gerald, at the Douglas Memorial Hospital on August 15th, at the age of 82. He will be sadly missed by, his wife Lorraine (Everett), his Son Terry, Grandchildren Justin and Taylor and His Daughter Lucinda, and her husband David Drew, his Sister Joyce Tkac, and his many, Sister and Brothers in law, nieces and nephews and friends. A memorial service will be held at the Crystal Ridge Community Church at 241 Elmwood Rd. Crystal Beach on Thursday Aug. 29th at 11:00am. As an expression of sympathy, memorial remembrances to the Canadian Cancer Society or Charity of one's choice would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **NIAGARA FUNERAL ALTERNATIVES**, 905-894-0120

CLARK, Graeme Royston - Graeme passed away peacefully on August 11th at the Douglas Memorial Hospital at the age of 73. At Graeme's request, there will be no formal service. Special thanks to the staff at the Douglas Memorial Hospital for the care and compassion shown to Graeme. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements.

ISHERWOOD, Mary Lou (Kelley) - At Chateau Gardens, Niagara-on-the Lake, on Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at the age of 82. Beloved wife of the late Albert Isherwood (Feb. 19, 2002). Loving mother of Robert (Jackie), Gary (Debi), Richard (Barb), Allan and Terry. Grandma will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by her grandchildren Chad (Heather), Jamie (Jen), Ryan (Kelly), David, Michael (Marlene), Mark (Lisa), Jennifer, Benjamin, Tyler, Nicholas and Stephanie and by her great grandchildren Zachery, Jacob, Braydon, Alysha, Curtis, Alex, Joshua, Andrew, Tyler, Dylan, Annika, Mikayla and Riley. Predeceased by granddaughter Shannon Lee (1972), sisters Dorothy, Ruby, Betty (survived by her husband Elwood Morgan) and Ruthann and brothers Pete, Bill, Mike, Sam and Joe (survived by his wife Beatrice Kelley).
Mary Lou's family will receive friends at the **BOCCHINFUSO FUNERAL HOME**, 2 Regent St., Thorold on Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service will be held in The Lamb Chapel on Friday at 11 a.m. Interment to follow at Pleasantview Cemetery, Fonthill. Memorial donations in memory of Mary Lou to the Alzheimer Society would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences at
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MOORE, Peter R. - After a courageous battle, Peter passed away at Maple Park Lodge in Fort Erie, on Tuesday, August 13th. Peter will be sadly missed by his loving wife Karen "KD" (nee Dunn). Proud father of Nancy Moore (David) and Jodie Moore Madgett (Duane). Cherished grandfather of Maiya and Ben. Sadly missed by his sister Wendy MacKenzie. Uncle Pete will be missed by the Dunns and his many friends. Predeceased by his parents Blair and Frances Moore. Peter was a long-time resident of Burlington and moved to Ridgeway in his later years where he enjoyed the town and the beach. He worked as a Territory Manager for Shell Canada and later for the Halton Board of Education as Athletic Convener. An accomplished official of football, basketball and fastball, he was known by most, as "Two Six." Despite his awards and achievements, his belief that the game's integrity and the participant's enjoyment was paramount, making him a mentor and role model to many young officials and athletes. Peter was well known for his humour, storytelling and was never one to back away from a sporting pool or side bet. Many thanks to the kind staff at Maple Park Lodge for their amazing, compassionate care and friendship. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with Private family services. Peter's generosity was surpassed only by his humility and random acts of kindness. In keeping with his spirit, secretly do something kind for someone or, for those that prefer, donations to the Canadian Special Olympics would be appreciated by the family.
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RAYMOND, Geraldine (Hicks) - It is with heavy hearts that we share the peeceful passing of Gereldine Reymond on Aug. 13, 2013 surrounded by her loving family. Gerry will be remembered and missed by her Husband Bill, her Children Dawn (Welly), Philip (Dawn), Bobbie, Andrea Kelly (Greg) and Patrick (Jaclyn) as well as her grandchildren, Evening, Jenna Lee, Keyle, Destiny, Cheyenne, Lendon, Francine, Payton, Kensi and Gavin. She will also be missed by her loving Mother Lillian Hicks, as well as her 11 brothers and sisters, many nieces end nephews, meny dear friends and Kinnette sisters. At Gerry's request cremation has taken place and a celebretion of Gerry's life hes been held. Donations may be made to Community Living Fort Erie and Stevensville Kinnettes. Arrangements entrusted to **NIAGARA FUNERAL ALTERNATIVES,** 905-894-0120.

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WOLBERT, Jim - Jim passed away unexpectedly et the Greeter Niegera General Hospital at the age of 59. His memory will be cherished by his children Karrie Wolbert, Kandace (Tommy Dama) Wolbert, Devid (Lisa Sterk) Wolbert end Bobby (Marilynn) Wolbert and their mother Lynne Viola. Loving Papa Wally to Sidney, Dekota, Peige, Bleke, Keighen, Teylor, Logan and Dallas. Sadly missed by his brother Brian (Marilyn) Wolbert, the members of the Holt family, his many nieces, nephews cousins end friends. Predeceased by his brother Frank and his parents Charles and Florence. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. Family and friends are invited to share their memories together from 2-4 & 7-9 on Wednesdey August 21st. A service to celebrate Jim's life will take place in the Chapel on Thursday at 11 am. If so desired, contributions in Jim's memory to either the Fort Erie S.P.C.A. or C.O.P.E would be appreciated.

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Taylor Hitchcock makes her way to home plate during the Fort Erie senior girls finals at Oakes Park. Fort Erie Credit Union catcher Annie Hurd on to the ball and recorded the out called by umpire Ben McDermott. The championship was won by Horton CBI by a score of 16-9.

Post–game picture

Submitted

Fort Erie senior girls fastball champs after their victory last week. In the back row are coach Scott Wraight, head coach Valerie Hill, Taylor Hitchcock, Chloe Wraight, Brittany Hawkins, Jade Hill, Sarah Johnsen, Brianna Jamieson, Ketrice Anderson, Kerron Anderson, Amber Lukacs, coach Steve Lukacs. In the front row are Marais Walpole, Adrianne Pyatt, Shelby Leesley and Melissa Hewit. Absent from the photo is Caitlyn McInnis.

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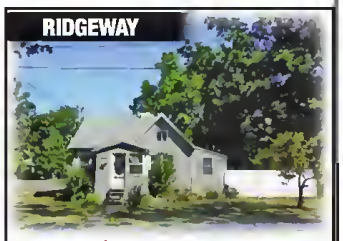

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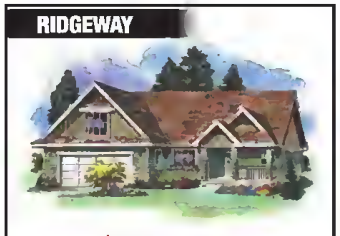

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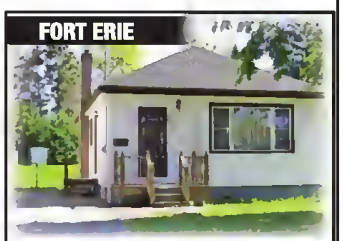

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